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## Dear Interested Public:

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing NEPA, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Mount Lewis Field Office (MLFO) has prepared the Argenta Settlement Agreement Range Improvement Environmental Assessment (EA) DOI-BLM-NV-B010-2016-0008-EA, which analyzes the potential effects of three separate exclosures proposed to be constructed at selected portions of riparian areas in the Argenta Allotment.

The Argenta Settlement Agreement Range Improvement EA includes plans to construct three livestock exclosures along segments of riparian areas within the Fire Creek, Maysville South, and North Fork Use Areas in the Argenta Allotment. The proposed activities would exclude livestock grazing from approximately 60.35 acres of BLM administered land in the Argenta Allotment.

The EA will be available for a 30-day public comment period. Written comments on this EA will be accepted at the above address until 4:30 p.m., February 22, 2016. The EA can be viewed on the BLM NEPA Register Page at: <a href="http://l.usa.gov/1IVZyHs">http://l.usa.gov/1IVZyHs</a>. Comments may also be submitted using the ePlanning comments submission or emailed to: <a href="mailto:acochran@blm.gov">acochran@blm.gov</a>.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying in formation in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If you have any questions or wish to obtain a hard copy of this document, please contact Adam Cochran, Lead Rangeland Management Specialist, or Andrea Dolbear, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, at the above address or at 775-635-4000.

Sincerely,

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